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## REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 7-11, 14-20 and 23-24 are now pending. Claims 1, 9 and 17 have been amended. Claims 5-6, 12-13, 21-22 and 25-26 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants hereby request further examination and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Laursen et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,847,618 (Laursen) in view of Simard et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,940,826 (Simard).

Applicant respectfully traverses. To establish *prima facie* obviousness of a claimed invention, all the claim limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art. *In re Ryoka*, 180 U.S.P.Q. 580 (C.C.P.A. 1974). See also *In re Wilson*, 165 U.S.P.Q. 494 (C.C.P.A. 1970). Applicant respectfully submits claims 1, 9 and 17 recite elements which have not been disclosed, taught or suggested by Laursen and Simard, individually or in combination.

For example, claims 1, 9 and 17 generally recite a method and system for providing a conferencing session which includes configuring the sub-packets in the output packet so that upon receipt of the output packet by a participant, the participant examines the packets and outputs a first examined sub-packet which does not include an indication that the sub-packet includes content received from the participant, the output packet being configured as a UDP packet which encapsulates the first sub-packet and the second sub-packet, the first sub-packet and the second sub-packet configured as RTP packets. Laursen and Simard fail to disclose, teach or suggest a method and system for providing a conferencing session which includes configuring the sub-packets in the output packet so that upon receipt of the output packet by a participant, the participant examines the packets and outputs a first examined sub-packet which does not include an indication that the sub-packet includes content received from the participant, the output packet being configured as a UDP packet which encapsulates the first sub-packet and the second sub-packet, the first sub-packet and the second sub-packet configured as RTP packets.

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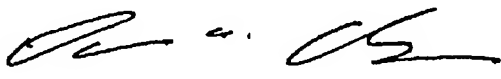
The Patent Office correctly states that Laursen fails to a method and system for providing a conferencing session which includes configuring the sub-packets in the output packet so that upon receipt of the output packet by a participant, the participant examines the packets and outputs a first examined sub-packet which does not include an indication that the sub-packet includes content received from the participant. However, Simard fails to cure the defects of Laursen. The Patent Office cites Column 11, Lines 32-64 for support of its assertion. This passage merely discloses a unicast transmission but fails to disclose the configuration of sub-packets configures the sub-packets in the output packet so that upon receipt of the output packet by a participant, the participant examines the packets and outputs a first examined sub-packet which does not include an indication that the sub-packet includes content received from the participant. Consequently, elements of claims 1, 9 and 17 have not been disclosed, taught or suggested by Laursen and Simard. Under *in re Ryoka*, a *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been established for claims 1, 9 and 17. Claims 2-4, 7-8, 10-11, 14-16, 18-20 and 23-24 should be allowed due to their dependence upon an allowable base claim.

### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Issuance of the present application as a patent is therefore solicited. It is believed no additional fees are due at this time. However, should the Examiner disagree, please charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-2179. Please also charge this deposit account, at any time during the pendency of this application, for any additional fees required, or credit any overpayment, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.25.

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